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Dear Bill:

In NSC's continuing review of the Yamal gas pipeline, we would be grateful for the Agency's assistance in providing technical and engineering analysis of this project. In particular, it would be helpful if the Agency could develop data bases and a physical simulation model of the proposed pipeline, including both construction and operational problems likely to be encountered. Various pipeline routes and alternate vendors for the main elements of the project should be spelled out, along with cost and time scheduling estimates for the pipeline and its construction phases. I understand that "SOVA," the Office of Imagery Analysis, and the Office of Global Intelligence are staffed for this analysis.

I know that this is a substantial analytic undertaking, but it is one that will be most helpful for continuing policy work. We would like to have this as soon as feasible; NSC staff would be pleased to meet with your analysts if that would be helpful.

Sincerely,



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NSC review completed.

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